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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

#### **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following parties oppose registration of the indicated application.

### **Opposers Information**

Name	Dherbs Health Emporium, Inc.		
Entity	Corporation	Citizenship	California
Address	1925 Pontius Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90025 UNITED STATES		

Name	Djehuty Herbaceuticals		
Entity	California general partnership	Citizenship	California
Address	1925 Pontius Ave. Los Angeles, CA 09925 UNITED STATES		

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# **Applicant Information**

Application No	85253122	Publication date	07/12/2011
Opposition Filing Date	08/04/2011	Opposition Period Ends	08/11/2011
Applicant	Akbar, Jabir Abdul 1851 Cleveland Road Glendale, CA 91202 UNITED STATES		

#### Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 035. First Use: 2004/00/00 First Use In Commerce: 2004/00/00
All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: On-line retail store services featuring herbal supplements, teas, extracts, elixirs, rubbing oils, inhalers, and sprays

# **Grounds for Opposition**

Torres v. Cantine Torresella S.r.l.Fraud	808 F.2d 46, 1 USPQ2d 1483 (Fed. Cir. 1986)
Other	Applicant is attempting to register a mark rightfully belonging to a separate entity.

Related	California Superior Court case BC466813; and, California Superior Court case
Proceedings	BC056124; and, California Superior Court case 11C02823; and, United States

	District Court, Central District of California Case CV11-06346.	
Attachments	Opposition.pdf ( 4 pages )(52008 bytes )	

#### **Certificate of Service**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date.

Signature	/Allan B. Gelbard, Esq./
Name	Allan B. Gelbard, Esq.
Date	08/04/2011

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Dherbs Health Emporium, Inc., a California corporation and (hereinafter "DHE") and Djehuty Herbaceuticals, a California general partnership ("DH"), through their attorney, Allan B. Gelbard, Esq., hereby OPPOSE registration of the aforementioned mark, in International Class 35, on the principal register.

DHE and DH believe they will be damaged by registration of the mark shown in the abovereferenced application for the following reasons:

- 1. Applicant JABIR ABDUL AKBAR, a/k/a EARNEST LASHUN COOPER, JR., a/k/a DJEHUTY ME-AT-RA (hereinafter "AKBAR") is, and was at all times relevant hereto, merely a minority shareholder in DHE and a minority partner in DHE's predecessor in interest DH.
- 2. Opposer DHE is an on-line seller of various herbal products and literature related thereto. Opposer DH was an on-line seller of various herbal products and literature related thereto, and is DHE's predecessor in interest. DHE presently owns and operate the internet website located at WWW.DHERBS.COM (hereinafter the "Website") and the corresponding business.
  - 3. DHE and/or DH are the rightful owner(s) of the mark applied for by Applicant.
- 4. The specimen of use provided by Applicant AKBAR is a scan of the Website which was owned and operated by DH at the time the scan was made by Applicant. Subsequently, the Website was transferred to, and is now operated by DHE. It did not, and does not constitute use in commerce by AKBAR as required pursuant to 37 CFR 2.33(b)(1).
- 5. The registrant for the URL www.dherbs.com is and was not AKBAR, but rather DHE' CEO. The administrative contact and technical contacts for the Website are also DHE' CEO. DHE' CEO has licensed exclusive use of the URL to DHE.
- 6. Opposers are informed and believe and thereupon allege that Applicant is attempting to register "DHERBS.COM" to prevent DHE and/or DH from continuing their lawful business through use of its proprietary Website, and/or to cause confusion in the minds of the public as to the actual source for DHE's and/or DH's goods and services.

1	7. AKBAR's application, and the attached specimens, constitute a fraudulent filing as he				
2	is not the entity that operates the business, a controlling shareholder and/or controlling partner				
3	therein, nor does he have exclusive rights therein.				
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5	8. AKBAR is not the owner of the mark and has actual knowledge that DHE and/or DH				
6	is the actual owner of the mark and has exclusive rights therein. AKBAR cannot satisfy the				
7	requirements of 37 CFR 2.33(b)(1) and his verified statement contained in the application is				
8	untruthful and fraudulent.				
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10	9. Any use by AKBAR of the mark would cause confusion in the minds of the public as				
11	between his individual business and that of DHE and/or DH.				
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13	10. A civil action against Akbar (Cooper) seeking, among other things, declaratory relief				
14	pertaining to the trademark ownership has been commenced in the Superior Court of California,				
15	County of Los Angeles. The case number is #BC466813.				
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17	11. This Opposition is accompanied by the fee required pursuant to TTAB §§ 2.6,				
18	2.101(d)(1)				
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20	For the reasons above, Opposers request that application for registration, serial number				
21	85253122 be DENIED.				
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23	Dated this 4 <sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011				
24	THE LAW OFFICES OF ALLAN B. GELBARD				
25	By: / Allan B. Gelbard, Esq./				
26	Allan B. Gelbard, Esq. Attorney for Opposer				
27	Dherbs Health Emporium, Inc. and Djehuty Herbaceuticals.				
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I am a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action. My business address is 15760 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 801, Encino, CA 91436. On 8/4/2011, I served the within
NOTICE OF OPPOSITION
by transmitting via facsimile the document(s) listed above to the fax number(s) set forth below on this date before 5:00 p.m.
by placing the document(s) listed above in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States mail at Encino, California addressed as set forth below.
by causing personal delivery by ESTTA of the document(s) listed above to the person(s) at the address(es) set forth below.
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I am readily familiar with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice it would be deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing in affidavit.
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.
Executed on 8/4/2011 , at Encino, California.
/Allan B. Gelbard, Esq./ Allan B. Gelbard, Esq.